GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:88
ANSWERED ON:29.04.2016
Common Medical Entrance Examination
Boianapalli Shri Vinod Kumar

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Apex Court has allowed the Government to hold a common medical entrance examination for admission to all medical colleges in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the special status States such as, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Jammu and Kashmir are likely to be covered under the common medical entrance examination; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA
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(a) & (b)With the approval of the Central Government, MCI had notified the National Eligibility cum Entrance Test (NEET) for admission to Under Graduate (UG)/Post Graduate (PG) Medical Courses by amending Graduate Medical Education Regulations, 1997 and Postgraduate Medical Education Regulations, 2000 vide notifications dated 21.12.2010 from the academic year 2012-13. MCI issued a revised notification dated 27.02.2012 to conduct examination from the academic year 2013-14. The Hon'ble Supreme Court vide its judgment dated 18.07.2013 in NEET related cases quashed the implementation of NEET. The Central Government and MCI filed Review Petition (c) No. 2048-2157 of 2013 and Review Petition (c) No. 2159-2268 of 2013 respectively before the Hon'ble Supreme Court. The Review Petitions were heard by the Five-Judge Bench of Hon'ble Supreme Court. The Hon'ble Court vide its Order dated 11.04.2016 has allowed these Review Petitions and ordered that "We, therefore, allow these Review Petitions and recall the judgment dated 18th July, 2013 and direct that the matters be heard afresh. The Review Petitions stand disposed of as allowed." Further vide its order dated 28.4.2016 in writ petition No.261/2016 filed by Sankalp Charitable Trust and anr., the Hon'ble Supreme Court has allowed conduct of NEET(UG) in two phases.
(c) & (d) NEET extends to the entire country including Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Jammu & Kashmir for admission in UG/PG medical courses.